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Rush at temples

Devotees throng Chamundeshwari temple atop the Chamundi Hill this morning.

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (RK,VK,CM & BCT)- Spirit and spirituality are very much a part of a Mysueran's New Year agenda and in the absence of night-long parties and revelry in view of COVID-Omicron curbs, thousands of people headed to various temples in and around Mysuru this morning. People prayed with hopes of having a good year ahead.

Performances by artistes, DJ shows, live orchestras and dazzling displays of fireworks that usually mark the zero hour celebrations at various party hotspots were not to be seen and people compensated for it by visiting temples.

(See TEMPLES on page 7)

HAPPY NEW YEAR

STAR OF MYSORE

Wishes a happy and prosperous New Year 2022 to all its readers, subscribers, advertisers, patrons, delivery boys, agents and well-wishers.

— Management

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-8 for Abracadabra titled "Makers of India after Independence." —Ed

Be people-friendly, forgo ego: Chief Minister's pep talk to DCs

'Reserve at least one day in a month for encroachment clearance drive'

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai holding a meeting of Deputy Commissioners (DCs) at Bengaluru yesterday in the presence of Revenue Minister R. Ashoka and other Ministers. Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Dr. Bagadi Gautham, who too attended the meeting, can be seen at extreme right.

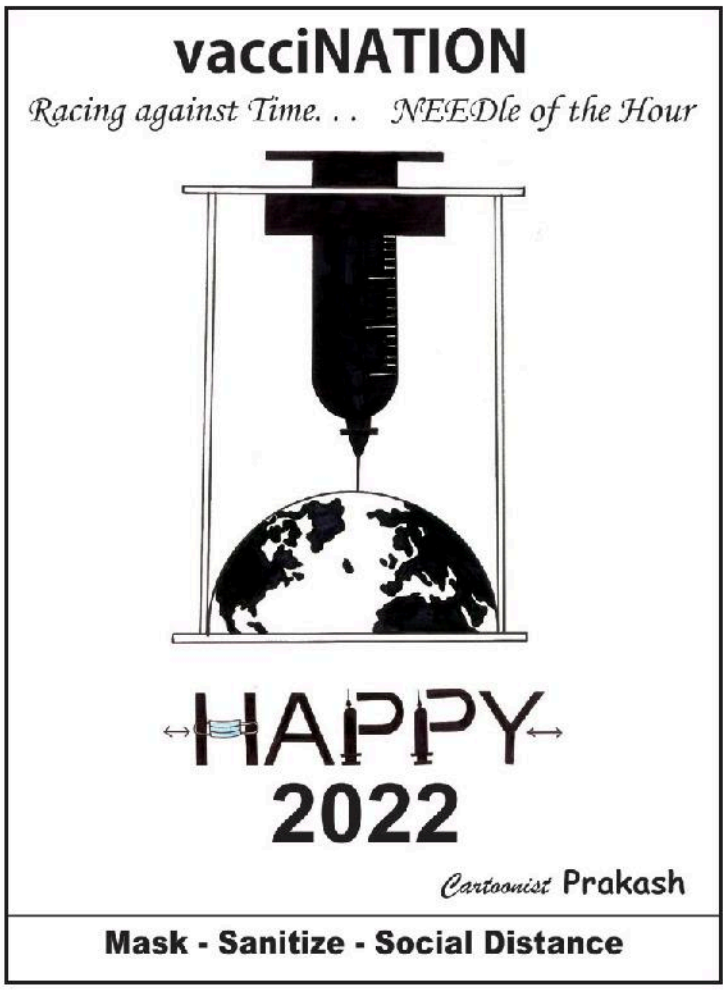
Bengaluru, Jan. 1 (KMS & BCT)- Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai yesterday urged Deputy Commissioners of districts to bring in change, instead of just thinking about it.

He asked Deputy Commissioners to work with team spirit and face the challenges unitedly to make the district administrations dynamic.

"Promptly implement the Government's bold decisions taken to make the administration more responsive to people's plight, work proactively in the districts to give good administration; instead of just thinking about change, take the lead to bring the change yourself," Bommai said.

(See DC on page 8)

TEASER By N. Prakash



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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 1st January 2022

Craft Bazar to conclude on Jan. 2

Mysuru, Jan.1 - Shri Manjalpur Mahila Audyogik Sahakari Mandli Ltd., Vadodara, has organised Indian Art & Craft 'Craft Bazar 2021-22,' an exhibition-cum-sale of exquisite handicrafts at the Open Grounds on Hunsur Road, Opposite Aishwarya Petrol Bunk, Vijayanagar, 1st Stage, from Dec. 24 to Jan.2 from 10 am to 9 pm. It is a sponsored by Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.

About 100 craftpersons from all over the country are participating in the Craft Bazar with their exquisite handicraft items.

Also on display are Baluchari sarees, Kantha sarees, Boutique sarees, Lucknow sarees, Crepe-Hubli sarees, Kashmir shawls and Dress materials, Punjab and Haryana handlooms, Home Furnishings, Terracotta, Jute, Gents Kurthas, Rajasthan Miniature Paintings, Gems Stone Paintings, Block Print Dress materials and Bedsheets, Mojris, Jodhpuri Wooden articles, Gujarat Kutch works, Bandhni, Maharashtra's wrought iron murals, Tripura window blinds, Tamil Nadu Wooden articles and Handloom curtains, Andhra Pradesh Pochamppalli and Mangalagiri Handlooms, Banarasi silk, Carpets, Khadi shirts, Bed covers, Palm leaf paintings, Karnataka Rose Wood Inlay, Madhubani paintings etc.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

BIDDING ADIEU TO 2021: *One of my senior citizen friends was critical of boisterous, end-of-the-year celebrations. "It is not in our culture to celebrate the end," he asserted, "we mark the beginning of the year with a morning prayer." Deliberating over the remark, I realised that this was only partially right. Yes, it is our custom to launch a new activity with a prayer. But it is also in our tradition to celebrate the successful completion of a task with food, fun and frolic. The best example of this is the harvest festival celebrated across the country to mark the successful completion of a major crop-growing season. The happiness is expressed through colourful rangolis, flowers, new clothes, singing and dancing, culminating in a sumptuous feast!*

Such celebrations are not mere exercises in unwinding. They are events to consciously mark the boxing of one set of activities and stamp it as finished. When one project finishes, the next is in line to commence. Hence, if the tasks are not compartmentalised, life would seem like one long weary road. Interestingly, understanding of this psychology is there for us to see in the Ramayana.

Why did Hanuman suggest the impromptu party? There was a reason. Hanuman knew that very soon they would all be headed South again to fight a bloody war with the mighty king of Lanka. The monkeys in the group were just returning after a stressful period of search. Hanuman wanted the monkeys to unwind, celebrate and cap the chapter of search. They needed to drop the memories of the project concluded and start the new one with a fresh mind. Partying on December 31 marks the closure of the year gone by, so that one may begin the New Year with fresh enthusiasm. It's the same logic!

— Kamala Balachandran in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Snake pulled out from woman's mouth

Levashi: A snake was pulled out from a woman's mouth after the reptile crawled inside her while she was sleeping. The horrifying moment when the 4-feet snake was surgically removed from the Russian woman's mouth has gone viral on social media.

The incident took place at Levashi village in Dagestan, Russia, when the woman was sleeping in the yard of her home. On feeling unwell, the woman went to the hospital and was put under general anesthesia after doctors realised there was something in her stomach.

Later, the doctors removed the snake from the woman's mouth, with fear writ large on the faces of the surrounding medical staff. However, it is not clear whether the snake was dead or alive on being retrieved.

Wedding cake piece sells for over $2,500

England: A slice of cake from Princess Diana and Prince Charles' 1981 wedding has been auctioned for $2,565. Private collector Gerry Layton from Leeds, England purchased the slice through Dominic Winter Auctioneers located in Cirencester, England.

The slice of cake weighs about 28 ounces and was preserved inside plastic wrap and a cake tin. The slice features a coat-of-arms design, along with decorative icing. It comes from one of the 23 official cakes that were made for the royal wedding and was given to Morya Smith, an employee of the Queen Mother at Clarence House at the time.

The item was sold to Dominic Winter Auctioneers on behalf of Smith's family in 2008. The late Princess Diana and Prince Charles were married at St. Paul's Cathedral in London on July 29, 1981.

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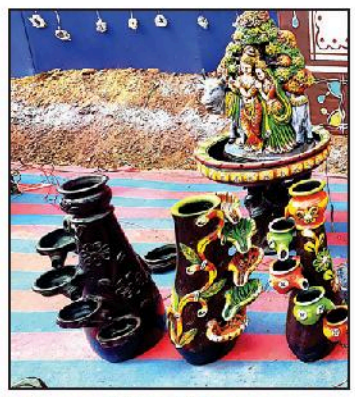
Sahara Art and Crafts Shopping Festival in city till Jan. 6

Mysuru, Jan. 1- Sahara Art and Crafts Shopping Festival is being held at Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's Office in city.

The expo-cum-sale, which began on Dec.24 will be held till Jan.6 between10.30 am and 9.30 pm.

Many types of handicraft and handloom products, bedsheets, chikan work dress materials & sarees, Orissa painting, leather bags, brass items, West Bengal handloom and silk sarees, carpets, crockeries, terracotta items and many more are on display by award-winning artisans from all over India.

The fest is organised by Sahara Handicraft & Handloom Association, registered by Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.



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REALLY...?

- *In ancient India, education was mainly imparted through the Vedic and Buddhist education system. The main aim of education was to develop a person's character, master the art of self-control, bring about social awareness and to conserve and take forward ancient culture.*
- *Sanskrit was the language used to impart the Vedic education system. Pali was the language used in the Buddhist education system.*
- *In Vedic system, a child started his education at the age of five, whereas in the Buddhist system the child started his education at the age of eight.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Wife: *"How would you describe me?"*
Husband: *"ABCDEFGHIJK."*
Wife: *"What does that mean?"*
Husband: *"Adorable, Beautiful, Cute, Delightful, Elegant, Fashionable, Gorgeous and Hot."*
Wife: *"Aw, thank you, but what about IJK?"*
Husband: *"I'm just kidding!!"*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.48
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 100.89
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.28
1 Euro	= Rs. 84.71

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	DECEMBER 30	DECEMBER 31
Day's Positive Cases	16	9
Total Positive Cases	1,80,266	1,80,275
Day's Discharges	21	11
Total Discharges	1,77,733	1,77,752
Day's Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	2,436	2,436
Total Active Cases	97	95

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Plea for city bus service between CBS - Naidunagar

Sir,

For the last three decades, three to four city buses were running between CBS - Kesare and Naidunagar via Pulikeshi Road, RMC which were very helpful to the people going to K.R. Hospital, Mission Hospital, Railway Station, RMC, Vidyavardhaka High School and Colleges, but for the last five years, the said bus routes have been stopped for reasons best known to none. Now people, especially women, senior citizens and students are facing lot of hardship.

I request the KSRTC to resume the routes immediately for the benefit of commuters who depend only on public transport.

—Syed Iqbal Ahmed

Mysuru 23.10.2021

'Janapara Utsava' on Jan. 3

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (BNR)- 'Janapara Utsava' has been organised by the Department of Kannada & Culture, Mysuru, under its special unit scheme, at Uttanahalli Government School in Mysuru taluk on Jan. 3 at 4 pm.

Chamarajanagar MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad will inaugurate. Varuna MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah will preside. Kannada & Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Backward Classes Welfare Department District Officer Bindiya, Agriculture Produce Marketing Committee (APMC) President Basavaraju and Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) Venkatesh will be the guests.

The fest features Sugama Sangeetha by Mahendra & troupe, Mysuru; Folk songs by Rangaswamy & troupe, Mysuru; Instrumental Music by Pradeep & troupe, Mysuru; Folk dance by Sahana & troupe, Mysuru; Sobane Pada by Thayamma, Manchamma, Jayamma & troupe, T. Narasipur; Tamburi folk song by Shambaiah & troupe, H.D. Kote; Dance feature by Bhagyalakshmi & troupe, Mysuru; Ranga Kunita by T.M. Krishnamurthy & troupe, Talakad; Kolata by Gopalaraj & troupe, H.D. Kote; Kamsale by Puttaswamy & troupe, H.D. Kote; Staging of play 'Sutradhara' by Rangayana, Mysuru.

Obituary

Cdr. M.A. Somana (retd.)

Mysuru, Jan. 1- Cdr. Madanda Appaiah Somana (retd.), a resident of Emerald Enclave, Hebbal, passed away here today. He was 77.

He leaves behind his wife Waikam, sons Sidd and Sudershan, daughter-in-law Kaveri and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage this afternoon.

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OBESITY AND HEART HEALTH

Obesity increases the risk of developing health ailments like diabetes, hypertension, increased blood cholesterol and even increases the risk of heart attacks. In clinical practice the most common index used to measure obesity has been the body mass index, BMI, expressed in kg/m2. A BMI of 25 kg/m2 or higher defines overweight, BMI of 30 kg/m2 or higher defines obesity, and BMI of 40 kg/m2 or higher defines severe obesity. Along with high BMI, those who have increased abdominal fat tend to have higher risk for developing adverse health events. Maintaining BMI of less than 25kg/m2 reduces the risk of various health ailments. Best way to maintain an ideal weight and BMI is to follow a combination of exercise and a healthy eating pattern. Mantra for a healthy living is " Eat Right, Drink Right and Move Regularly"

- Consume whole grains, fruits, vegetables, greens, legumes, nuts, eggs, low fat dairy products, fish, poultry.
- Restrict consumption of red meat, processed meat, refined carbohydrates, sweets, saturated fats, fried foods, fast foods.
- Restrict soft drinks, sugar sweetened beverages, alcohol consumption.
- Stop smoking and usage of tobacco in any form.
- Do atleast 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic physical activity weekly or 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity aerobic physical activity weekly

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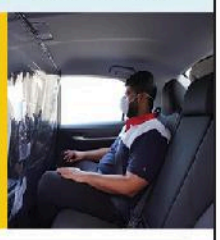

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NEWS BRIEFS

Physical Tests for Police Constables

The Physical Strength Test (PST) / Endurance Test (ET) for candidates who have qualified in the written exam for recruitment of Civil Police Constables (men and women) - 180 posts will be held on Jan. 3 and 4 at CAR Parade Grounds behind Race Course, Mysuru from 6.30 am onwards. Bengaluru Office has already uploaded the call letters of all the eligible candidates for the ADGP recruitment. Candidates along with their call letters must bring their identity card (which has photo enclosed) and mandatorily bring the reservation/recruitment request related documents for the appointment. Candidates who fail to attend/appear within the allotted date given by the Recruitment Office will be dropped from the qualifying list, according to a press release issued by the Police Commissioner of Mysuru City.

Elected

The following have been elected as Management Committee Members of Basava Balaga, Sidhartanagar, Mysuru: Puttanna - President; Virupaksha Murthy and K.M. Naganna - Vice-Presidents; Somashekara Chinna - General Secretary; Katyayani Shankarappa - Joint Secretary; B.N. Virappa, B.V. Shiva Murthy, Dunda Madappa, S. Nagendra, Padmavathi Niranjan, Kantaraju, S. Nandish, H.R. Vrushabendra, T.N. Kumaraswamy and P. Mallana - Directors, according to a press release from Basava Balaga.

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Today	:	2,283.27 feet
Inflow	:	479 cusecs
Outflow	:	700 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,855.07 feet
Inflow	:	427 cusecs
Outflow	:	50 cusecs

COVID crashes the party again

Many start celebrations at lunch; good demand for hotel room parties

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (RK&BCT)- The New Year's eve was subdued for the second consecutive year as the Police were prepared to bundle away public from roads, junctions, party venues last evening and as the clock struck 12.

The only way left for people to celebrate the New Year was to zoom around in their cars and SUVs, have dinner with their loved ones at their favourite restaurants and reach home by 10 pm following the night curfew restrictions.

Restaurants, pubs and clubs were allowed to continue to operate at 50 percent capacity as per the usual timings permitted to them. However, there were no restrictions on room occupancy and room service and hotels served their patrons beyond 12 am and had made special arrangements.

Special food was prepared to cater to the needs of people holed up in rooms and hotels that had permission to sell liquor had made arrangements for enough stocks of liquor. Many guests had brought their own stocks.

Over 80 percent of the hotel rooms were booked by the local residents who preferred to stay indoors in view of the restrictions.

Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda told *SOM* that this year, people started their New Year Eve celebrations at 2 pm instead of the usual 8 pm or so.

Hotels, restaurants and pubs that get filled up in the evening saw patrons walking in for lunch. College students formed most of the crowd prancing the streets in the afternoon. "Walk-ins started at around 12 pm and by 5.30 or 7 pm, all hotels were full to the 50 percent capacity. While people were interested in continuing the party even after 8 pm, the night curfew prompted many to leave early," he said.

Amidst a strict night curfew and government guidelines, most of the streets that would have otherwise been full with revellers wore a deserted look beyond 10 pm. The Police ensured that people did not gather outside after the deadline.

By 9.30 pm, announcements to shut shop by the 10 pm deadline were made and roads were barricaded and at many places, drunken driving tests were carried out. Most of the restaurants and pubs in the city were full to the allowed capacity. Only those who had got two doses of the vaccine were allowed in after checking their certificates. Crowds started thinning out starting from 8.30 pm and there was good demand for autos and cabs who made the killing.

Food delivery boys had a busy evening as there were no restrictions for them. Many restaurants, pizza and burger outlets saw a line of delivery staff to pick up their orders. Due to restrictions, many preferred these online aggregators to deliver food at their doorsteps.

'May we keep scaling new heights of progress'

New Delhi, Jan. 1 (UNI)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi wished joy and good health to people on the first day of the new year today. "May we keep scaling new heights of progress and prosperity, and work even harder to fulfil the dreams of our great freedom fighters," the Prime Minister said in his first tweet of 2022.

PM Modi also shared a clip of the recent episode of "Mann ki Baat", his monthly radio broadcast, in which he urged people to "think big, dream big, and dedicate" themselves to take the country to new heights of development and make 2022 a golden page in building new India.

"Our dreams will not be limited to us, our dreams should be related to the development of our society and nation," Modi had said during the radio address. He added, "We have to take the country to new heights of development that's why we have to use our resources. This is in one way, a mantra for self-reliant India."

Narendra Modi

Only by properly using our resources will we be able to recognise the strength of the local and make our country be self-reliant, he is heard saying in the audio clip, as he asks the people to "take a pledge to think big, dream big, and dedicate ourselves to achieving them."

"Our dreams will not be limited to us, our dreams should be related to the development of our society and nation. Our progress will open avenues to the country's progress and for this we have to start from today itself without wasting any moment and particle," Modi said.

12 dead, 14 injured in stampede at Mata Vaishno Devi shrine

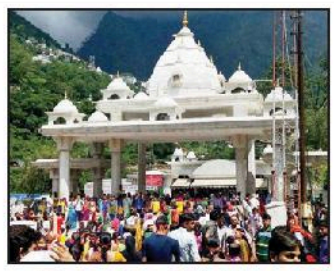
Jammu, Jan. 1- Twelve pilgrims have died and over a dozen injured in a stampede at Jammu and Kashmir's (J&K) Mata Vaishno Devi shrine. The stampede was triggered by a "minor altercation among some young boys" amid a massive rush of devotees on New Year, officials said today.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is "personally monitoring and keeping track of the tragic situation," a Minister in his office said.

Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Mukesh Singh confirmed that 12 pilgrims have died and at least 14 are injured in the stampede. "All the injured have been taken to a hospital," he added.

The incident occurred outside the *sanctum sanctorum* of the shrine on Trikuta Hills. J&K Lt. Governor Manoj Sinha said that a high-level inquiry has been ordered into the stampede.

"Preliminary information from the scene suggests that a minor altercation among some young boys led to the stampede at the Mata Vaishno Devi shrine in which 12 people unfortunately died," J&K Director General of Police (DGP) Dilbag Singh said. "Police and officials from the civil administration were quick to respond,



and the order within the crowd was immediately restored, but by that time, the damage had been done," he told.

He further said that all those injured have been taken to hospitals, where the condition of some is stated to be "serious".

The Lieutenant Governor of J&K shared the Helpline numbers of the Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board.

"Extremely saddened by the loss of lives due to a stampede at Mata Vaishno Devi Bhawan," said Prime Minister Narendra Modi, sending his "condolences to the bereaved families."

The Prime Minister's Office also announced an amount of Rs. 2 lakh each from the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund. The PMO said that the amount would be given to the families of those who lost their lives due to the stampede at Mata Vaishno Devi Bhawan. The injured would be given Rs. 50,000, the PM's Office added.

Senior officials and representatives from the Shrine Board are at the spot.

New traffic regulations

on Krishnavilas & Thyagaraja roads

One-way rule comes into effect

Mysuru, Jan. 1- In order to facilitate smooth vehicular movement, the City Police have introduced new traffic regulations on Thyagaraja and Krishnavilas roads in the heart of the city with immediate effect.

The stretch from Ramavilas road junction (D. Banumaiah junction) to Veene Seshanna road junction (Dalvoy School junction) on Thyagaraja road has been made one way and accordingly, movement of all types of vehicles from Northern side towards Southern side on this stretch of the road has been banned. As an alternative route, vehicles moving on Ramavilas road will have to take a right turn at New Sayaji Rao road junction, take right turn at B. Rachaiah Circle and move on Veene Seshanna road to reach Dalvoy School junction.

Secondly, the stretch from Javagal Srinath junction to DC office junction on Krishnavilas road has been converted into one-way and accordingly, movement of all types of vehicles from Eastwards to Westwards on this stretch of the road has been banned.

As an alternative route, vehicles are required to travel through Javagal Srinath junction-JLB road-D. Devaraj Urs road junction-Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle-Left turn -Mysuru-Hunsur road- Hunsur road arch gate-Left turn to reach the Deputy Commissioner's office.

Another route for vehicles travelling from Javagal Srinath Junction towards DC office is — Javagal Srinath Junction-JLB road- M.N. Jois Circle- Right turn- Radhakrishna Marg-Kautilya Circle- Right turn- Deputy Commissioner's office.

New vehicle parking and no-parking zones

Mysuru, Jan. 1- In order to ease vehicular movement on prominent roads of the city, the City Police Commissioner has announced new vehicle parking and no-parking zones (two-wheelers and LMV) in four Traffic Police Stations limits of the city.

The new parking zones are on Krishnavilas road and Lakshmivilas road in Devaraja Traffic Police Station limits, Ramanuja road, New Kantharaj Urs road, M.G. Road, Radhakrishnan Marg and Akkamahadevi road in K.R. Traffic Police Station limits, Theobald road, Shalivahana road, Taluk Office road, road in front of Excise office, Mirza road, Lokranjan Mahal road, Vayu Vihar Marg, T. Narasipur road, Sanmarga road (10th main) in Siddarthanagar, along the stretch from Devikere Cross junction to Chamundeshwari temple main entrance on Chamundi Hill road, Malai Mahadeshwara road (M.M. Road) and Dr. Rajukumar road in Siddarthanagar Traffic Police Station limits and Kalidasa road in V.V. Puram Traffic Police Station limits.

126 tigers have died across the country in 2021

New Delhi, Jan. 1- The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has recorded 126 tiger deaths in 2021, the highest since it began collecting the data for the same a decade ago.

The NTCA on Thursday said that it is looking into the cause of the most recent death that took place in Madhya Pradesh. The tiger was found dead in Chhindwara of Madhya Pradesh on Wednesday, taking this year's toll in the State to 44.

An official from the NTCA said that there can be numerous causes for deaths as the population of tigers is huge and a Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) is followed to ascertain the reasons. Tiger deaths are under scrutiny of the State as well as the NTCA. Madhya Pradesh at maximum tiger deaths of 44 tigers is followed by 26 in Maharashtra and 14 in Karnataka. Tigers are now globally listed as "endangered" on the International Union for the Conversion of Nature (IUCN) Red list of threatened species.

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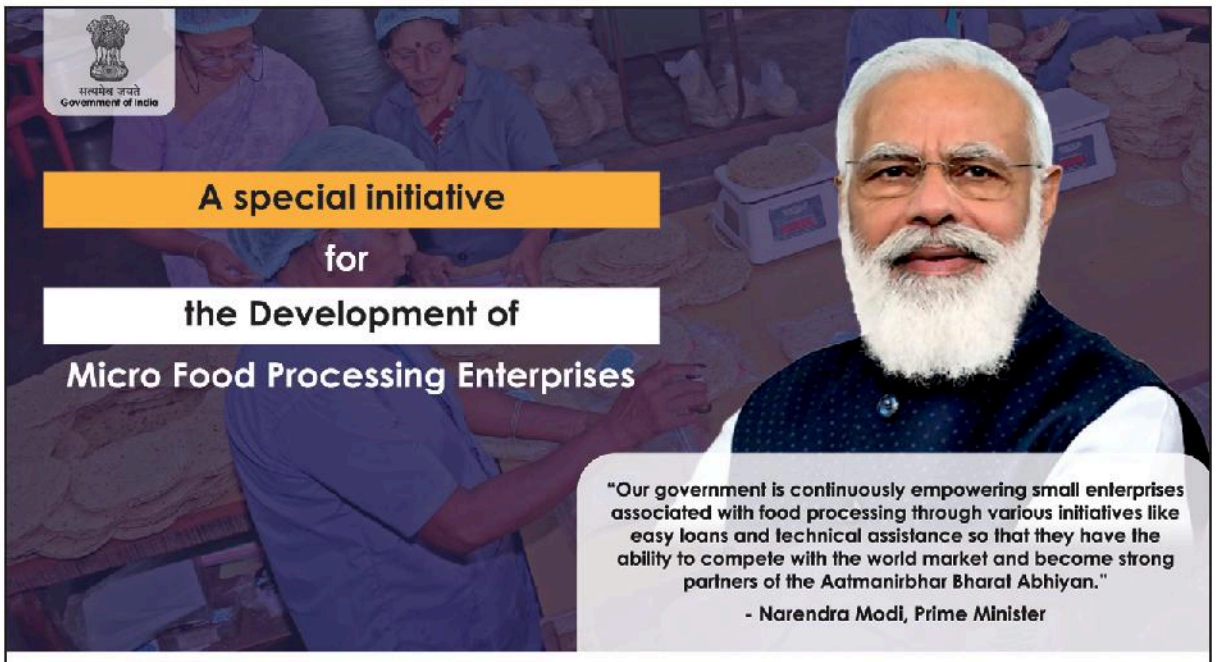
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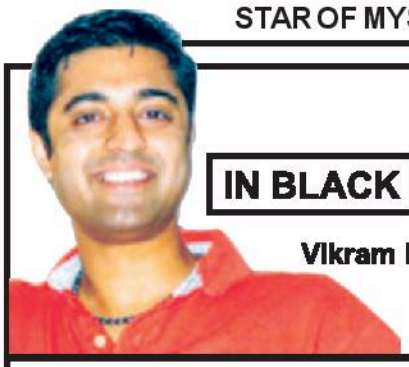

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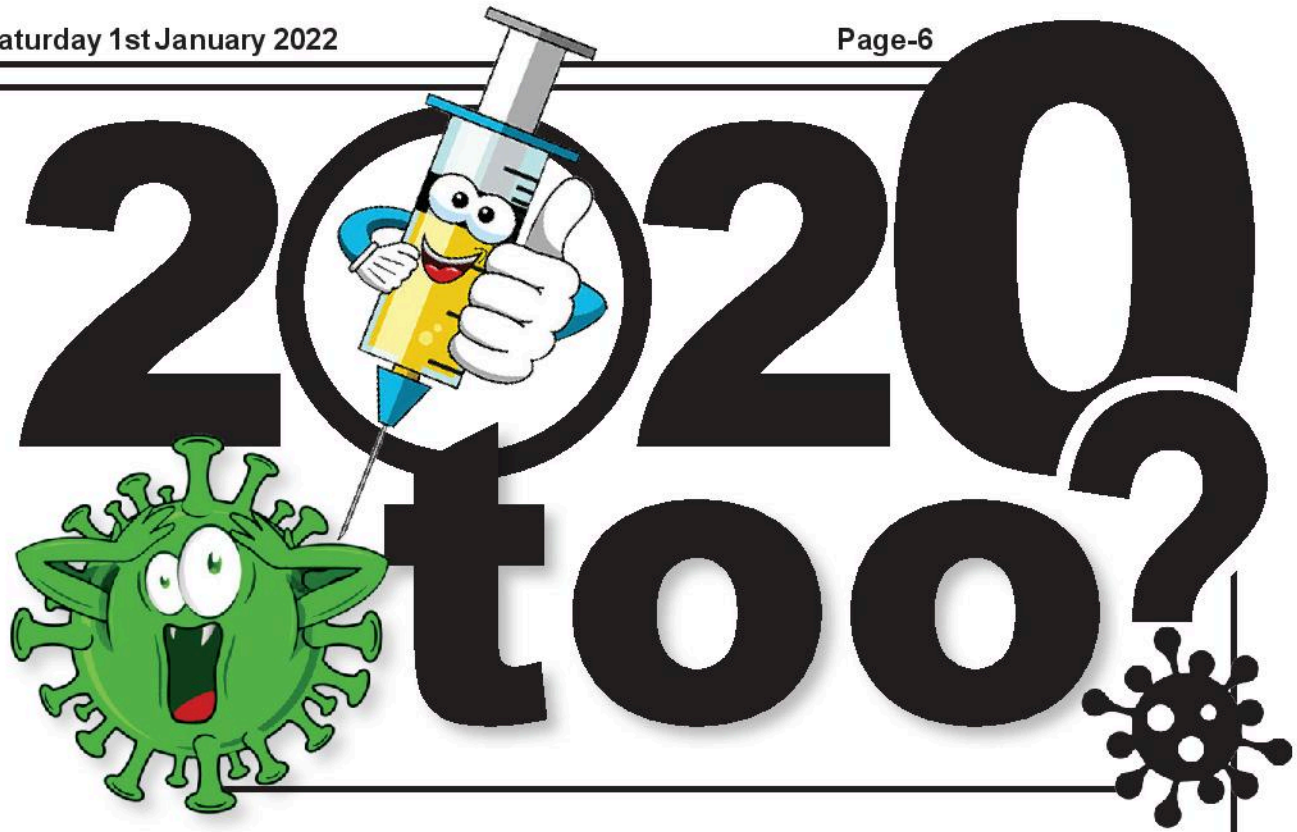
2020 too?



There was much anticipation and hope for 2021. Sadly 2021, while not as bad as 2020, has ended on a sombre note. It reminds me of the joke: If we make it past 2020, I'll be dreading 2022 because 2022 is 2020 too. With Omicron on the rise, let's hope it doesn't come true.

2021, the year that promised us freedom with vaccines, ended with the Coronavirus spewing more variations. It is still mutating, surviving, and trying to beat our vaccines.

Guess, it's living up to its name — Corona, meaning Crown, named after its Royal headgear like structure. And like a ruthless King or Queen, the Coronavirus continues to rule us, dictating how we go about our lives and livelihoods.

COVID will continue to dominate our conversations and vocabulary. In pre-COVID times "Flattening the Curve" meant reducing belly fat, and "Super Spreader" was the nosey aunty who spread rumours and gossip. Today their usage is more commonly related to COVID.

This year when someone asks, "Will you Vax?" don't look at your arms and legs in embarrassment; they're probably just asking if you are vaccinated. Similarly, if someone says, "I'm vaxed", it doesn't mean they went to the beauty parlour either.

In fact, 'Vax' was voted as the word of 2021 by the company that publishes the Oxford English Dictionary. Rightly so, "Vax" is everywhere, from dating App (Vax-4-Vax) to bureaucracy (Vax Pass).

Since COVID, we've had an overload of terms that have rendered some of us dyslexic. Like, remember when "Hydroxy-chloro-quine" was touted as the miracle cure, and people in an ecstatic state started pronouncing it as "Hydroxy-cloromint"? They had replaced a molecule name with a mouth freshener — Chlormint!

As the virus progressed, so also our vocabulary. Words like Pandemic, Lockdown, Self-Quarantine, Social Distance, Asymptomatic and Comorbidity became common parlance.

Then we got into abbreviations like PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), RT-PCR Test (Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction) and even WFH (Work From Home).

As people broke COVID guidelines, we got "Covidiot" (someone ignoring COVID guidelines). Soon we had "Maskhole" (This word is used on a person who does not wear a mask, it rhymes with a posterior orifice) and "Covideo Party" (online parties via Zoom or Skype).

Soon the corporates gave us "Blursday" (an unspecified day because of lockdown's disorientating effect on time) and "Zoombombing" (hijacking a Zoom video call).

As lockdown continued, there was "COVIDivorce" (marriages broken during a pandemic), "Zumping" (dumping someone over zoom call) and "Colonials" (sounds like Millennials, these are children born during the pandemic).

Then as news of vaccines began pouring in, posh people started dropping words like "Efficacy" and "Profilactic." Soon people started getting creative and gave us a portmanteau for the pandemic — "Coronageddon" (Corona + Armageddon).

As the roll-out of vaccines began, we started talking about types of vaccines. Every other gathering had one 'VP' - Vax Pandit. A know-it-all about vaccines who also wants others to know that he knows-it-all. I was held hostage by one such VP who explained to me all about Inactivated vaccine, Live-attenuated vaccine, Viral vector vaccine and Subunit vaccine.

Finally, just as he was about to start talking about mRNA vaccine, an older man in the circle chimed in, "oh! we all have internet, talk about something cheerful, I say". Unperturbed, the VP moved to another topic — which vaccine is better? VPs will be a regular feature at most events this year.

Thankfully there won't be any "vaccine snobbery" this year. Last year as the vaccinations began, there was a slight undercurrent of "vaccine snobbery" going around. It was like the aftermath of a booze party when one would ask the other, what did you drink? If you said whiskey or wine, they'd ask if you have a hangover and move on. But if you say I had "arrack", then the questions start — did you have a nasty hangover? Is it safe? And are you okay?

Similarly, if you said you had Covishield or Covaxin, they'd ask if you had any side-effects, and the conversation moved on. But if you answered Sputnik, you were done for. They looked at you like you were suicidal and would soon be sporting horns and a tail.

Then, of course, if you said you had Pfizer, you're like the guy who had consumed the expensive Jonny Walker Blue label whiskey. Yes, there was "vaccine snobbery" in the air along with COVID, but then, like alcohol, when all vaccines more or less had similar effect, it calmed the snobs down.

This year along with vaccines, we will hear conversations about "variations" as mutations continue. We will listen to words like Variant Being Monitored (VBM), Variant of Interest (VoI), Variant of Concern (VoC) and Variant of High Consequence (VoHC).

We have already heard of numerous mutations like Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Epsilon, Eta, Iota, Kappa, Mu and Zeta, categorised under "variables being monitored". At the same time, Delta and Omicron, which are active and spreading, come under variants of interest, concern and consequence.

As the days go by, we will hear a lot about boosters — Do we get a booster shot? How many days after the second dose do we get it? Can we mix and match vaccines? How often will we need boosters? Etc.

So, as we step into the New Year, we do so with worries — Will school shut again? Will we still have to pay school fees? Will kids get vaccines? Will the economy take a hit? Will my hand continue to consume more alcohol than my mouth? Will my spouse start working from home...again, etc?

But let's remember we are better off today than 2020 and 2021. So, let's be grateful, mindful, cheerful and careful as we step into the New Year-2022.

Dear Readers, *I wish you all a healthy and joyous year ahead. Thank you for reading what I write and I hope I have done my job of entertaining, informing and evoking a moment of introspection or a smile in you with my banter. And let us all pray that the virus is not as fickle as our Government.*

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New Year: Rush at temples

Devotees standing in queue to have darshan of Lord Ranganathaswamy at Srirangapatna today.

Hundreds of people at the banks of River Kapila near Srikanteshwaraswamy Temple in Nanjangud this morning. Picture below shows devotees in front of the temple.

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All the famous temples like Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill, Tripurasundari Jwalamukhi Temple at Uthanahalli, Srikanteshwaraswamy Temple in Nanjangud, Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple and Nimishamba Temple at Srirangapatna and Gunjanarasimhaswamy Temple in T. Narasipura had maximum crowds.

At Chamundeshwari Temple though people were less till around 8 am, crowds swelled after 9 am and thousands of them were pouring in to have a glimpse of the Goddess. For the first time, Rs. 300 special *darshan* ticket was printed and there was a good demand for the same. With special ticket, devotees could enter the *sanctum sanctorum* without standing in queues. There were Rs. 100 and Rs. 30 tickets too.

Thousands of devotees queued up at Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple in Vijayanagar braving the cold. Special *pujas* began as early as 3 am. Temple authorities distributed two lakh ladoos and puliogare *prasadam* to devotees specially prepared for the occasion. As many as 70 persons were designated to distribute ladoos and *prasadam*.

Sri Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple at Vontikoppal, Chandramouleshwara Temple near Mathrumandali Circle, Sri Raghavendraswamy Temple at Jayalakshmipuram, 101 Ganapathi Temple at Agrahara, Ganapathi Temples at Paduvarahalli, Bandanthamma Temple in Kuvempunagar, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Chamundeshwari Temple at Surya Bakery Circle and Annapoorneshwari Temple at Hebbal also witnessed rush.

The Srikanteshwara Temple in Nanjangud had over 25,000 devotees at 11 am and the temple authorities were expecting the crowd to touch 50,000 by evening. All the roads in and around the Temple Town were chock-a-block with slow-moving traffic. The Police had a tough time controlling the crowd.

Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji distributing ladoo prasadam to devotees at Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple in Vijayanagar.

Big Brands Sale to conclude tomorrow

A three-day big brands sale from garment factory to direct retail customers, began at Hotel Southern Star on Vinoba Road in city yesterday. The expo, which is open to public between 10 am to 9 pm, will conclude tomorrow (Jan. 2). Parking and entrance is free.

Mekedatu Padayatra

Congress to hold Party Workers' Convention on Jan. 3

Mysuru, Jan. 1 (KS)- As part of the padayatra to be taken out for the implementation of Mekedatu project and for registration, a convention of Congress party workers will be held on Jan. 3 at Congress Bhavan Grounds in city, said MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah during the meeting of party workers of Chamundeshwari and Varuna constituencies at his house here recently.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Yathindra said that the Mekedatu project was very beneficial for the public as it is very helpful for the supply of drinking water and power generation and told the party workers that at least 5,000 workers from both the constituencies should participate in the convention.

Former Zilla Panchayat President Marigowda, who too spoke, said that Mekedatu Project was to be implemented during the tenure of Siddharamaiah as the Chief Minister and a Detailed Project Report (DPR) was also sent to the Centre for approval.

Though the Centre had approved the project, the present BJP Government in the State and Centre were showing step motherly attitude to commence the works, he said and added that through the project, drinking water can be supplied to Bengaluru and other cities for the next 100 years and water can be supplied to thousands of acres of agricultural fields.

KPCC Secretary Gurupadaswamy, H.C. Basavaraju, Block Congress President Rangaswamy, Ramesh Muddegowda, B. Satish, J. Satishkumar, former Block President Siddaraju, Congress leaders Krishnakumar Sagar, Somanna and others were present.

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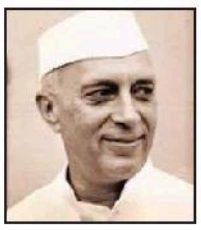
Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Makers of India after Independence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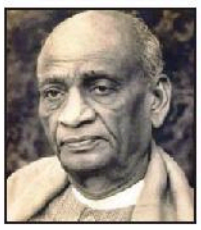
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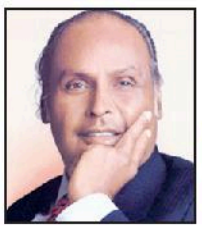
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Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, Architect of the Indian Constitution, said in his speech on January 26, 1950: "If hereafter things go wrong, we will have nobody to blame except ourselves. Not to lay their liberties at the feet of even a great man or to trust him with powers which enable him to subvert their institutions. *Bhakti* in religion may be a road to the salvation of the soul, but in politics *Bhakti* or hero-worship is a sure road to degradation and to even dictatorship."

The Week magazine of 40 years, three years junior to *Star of Mysore,* in its anniversary special issue dated Dec. 26, 2021, has written about the makers of modern India. This is how the magazine was saluting the visionaries in the 75th year of independence. A good nationalist thought.

Naturally on the cover are the images of the titans of some of those makers, may I say architects? Yes. They are JRD Tata, G.D. Birla, Vikram Sarabhai, Dhirubhai Ambani and Verghese Kurien (the milkman of the nation!). But, surprisingly, no politician. Inside there are special articles led by Rajmohan Gandhi on the subject. But there are others too among the makers of modern India.

So it is clear on Aug. 15, 1947 we inherited a Medieval India, a Feudal India and certainly not an Ancient India, Vedic India. The leaders, therefore, had a huge responsibility to take this country, which got independence at the stroke of midnight, to the modern world of light and even enlightenment.

Who were those leaders? Are they merely the rulers, who would sit in the Parliament and make laws for seeking power over the people as masters? If it is so, then we have merely got new native masters (rulers) in the place of the old British masters (rulers).

Therefore, it is clear that among the makers of modern India there are visionary political leaders as also visionary leaders from business, industry, science and technology and more importantly agriculture. There was an urgent need to modernise our education, health service and even defence forces. Personally, being a child of pre-independence days, I get the feeling that India was lucky, despite the doomsday prophets, to have got many makers of modern India.

History is replete with instances where a democracy is easily destabilised and even destroyed in its early nascent days due to the overweening ambitions of the very people (or leaders) who fought for freedom and democracy. In such a dismal world scenario it is a miracle that our country, so vast with over 600 Princely States who were under British suzerainty, with such diversity in race, religion, culture and language was held together in an orderly manner and administered. There might have been many flaws but the political leadership of giants like Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel made Indian democracy survive, survive because Nehru and his men in other areas of economic activity decided to modernise India. Luckily for India two titanic industrial houses were already in existence — Tatas and Birlas. Soon others joined in, with government's industrial policy, in keeping with the clarion call given by Sir M. Visvesvaraya, 'Industrialise or perish'. Nehru was a good listener and proposals from the learned and experts were always looked at from the country's perspective. No wonder Nehru, a philosopher-statesman, called the heavy industries he planned to build as the 'temples of modern India.'

Those were desperate years for India, an India without roads and many essential infrastructure. Why, we did not have enough food to eat and were at the mercy of America and other advanced countries. With foreign aid, Nehru as Prime Minister got us Bhakra Nangal Dam, four more steel industries — Rourkela Steel Plant, Bhilai Steel Plant, Durgapur Steel Plant and Bokaro Steel Plant — in addition to Tatas at Jamshedpur. CSIR, IITs, Atomic Energy Commission, HAL, HMT, Indian Telephone Industries and many more, mostly from borrowed money and aid, were established. That was Nehru's vision for modern India.

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) was set up in 1942 but was promoted and taken to higher level, specially for Research and Development (R&D) in diverse Science and Technology areas. It was the pet organisation of Nehru, we were told. Over the years it has grown in size with 38 National Research Laboratories including one in Mysuru, the CFTRI.

Among the entrepreneurs and technical experts, there were many who became leaders in their own field of enterprise to build our nation. Among them are Vikram Sarabhai who headed ISRO taking it to great heights, Ardeshir Godrej, N.R. Narayana Murthy of Infosys, Adar Poonawalla, the vaccine king and many recent ones connected with e-commerce and IT etc., etc., including publishing of books and movies, sports.... you name it, it is identified in this issue of *The Week* magazine.

And finally, there is one article titled rather creatively *"Driven by Heart"* by Anand Mahindra, Chairman of Mahindra Group, original Jeepwallah, now a leader in the automobile industry. No doubt, the founders of Mahindra Group are at the forefront of nation-building.

I mention this here to share with my readers an interesting episode in the history of Mahindra & Mahindra company.

It was established in 1945 before independence when it was one United British India as Muhammad & Mahindra Limited. It was founded as a steel trading company in Ludhiana by brothers K.C. Mahindra, an engineer and J.C. Mahindra along with Malik Ghulam Muhammad, an economist.

After India gained independence and Pakistan was formed, Muhammad emigrated to Pakistan. There he served as Governor-General of Pakistan.

Thus it was in 1948 the company changed its name to Mahindra & Mahindra, after the name of two brothers. This company started assembling vehicles under licence of the Willys Jeep in India. For many decades it was a monopoly jeep manufacturing company.

Now it is a leader in auto industry like TATA and Maruti Suzuki contributing to make India a modern industrial country.

Last word: But the question is, what it takes to be a leader? Some say concern, confidence and courage. Watch out for next *Abracadabra.*

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Chief Minister's pep talk to DCs

(Continued from page 1)

"If you work in the interest of certain persons like real estate lobbies and not in the interest of the people, you will lose eligibility to be a Deputy Commissioner," Bommai said.

The Chief Minister was addressing the Deputy Commissioners' meeting at Vidhana Soudha. "Leave the attitude that you are the DC or the District Magistrate and work for the welfare of the people," he said.

Stating that the Government has proved to be alive and responsive by reaching out to the people to redress their grievances, the CM said, crop compensation has been paid within 48 hours of uploading the report in Parihara App. "It has been made possible to provide relief to 83 percent of affected farmers due to the efficiency of Deputy Commissioners," he said, appreciating their performance.

Bommai instructed DCs to ensure speedy disposal of land disputes and cases which are pending for more than 5 years at the level of Tahsildars, Assistant Commissioners and DCs, and said, "the Government is ready to recruit additional Tahsildars and Assistant Commissioners to accomplish the task."

Bommai stressed the need for making the administration more responsive to take the welfare programmes to people's doors. Revenue Minister R. Ashoka, who also addressed the meeting, said periodic progress review of development works should be held compulsorily, and the DCs should reserve at least one day in a month for encroachment clearance drive.

"In many districts, 3,000 to 5,000 revenue cases that are 10 to 15 years old are still pending. At the current rate, it may take more than four to five years to address the cases and many may not get justice," Bommai said. To hasten the survey process in rural areas for the purpose of Podi, Bommai said the State Government will spend Rs. 20 crore to hire private drones to complete surveys.

A programme to take Government services to people's doors in rural areas will be launched on Jan. 26 which includes issuing documents at the doors of the people. DCs should make this programme a grand success, Ashoka said.

The Chief Minister asked the Deputy Commissioners to coordinate the launch of vaccination drive for children in the age group of 15 to 18 years from Jan. 3 as per the advice of the National Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (NTAGI) of the Government of India.

Olympian M.P. Ganesh, *Padma Shri* Awardee, is 'Coorg Person of the Year-2021'

Mysuru, Jan. 1- Olympian M.P. Ganesh, who captained the Indian hockey team and was honoured with the *Padma Shri* by President Ram Nath Kovind, is Coorg Person of the Year-2021.

Mollera Poovaiah Ganesh, hailing from Suntikoppa in Kodagu district, was selected 'Coorg Person of the Year' in a poll conducted by *www.coorgtourisminfo.com,* Kodagu's first news portal, promoted by journalist and author P.T. Bopanna.

There may not be many such extraordinary instances of a person running away from home to join the Army ending up at the Rashtrapati Bhavan to receive the coveted *Padma Shri.* Ganesh was also conferred the Arjuna award in 1973.

President Ram Nath Kovind honouring Olympian M.P. Ganesh with Padma Shri recently.

Ganesh, born on July 8, 1946, was an achiever both on and off the field. Though he ran away from home without informing his parents to join the Army after writing his matriculation examination, Ganesh managed to complete his MA in English, diploma in sports coaching from the National Institute of Sports, Patiala and Ph.D in Physical Education.

Although Ganesh joined the Army to fulfil his childhood dream of becoming a football player, he failed to make it to the football team. Then he went for the hockey selection where he was successful. This goes to prove the adage that "hockey is in the blood of the Kodavas."

Ganesh represented the Services (Defence Services) in the National Hockey Championships from 1966 to 1973.

After he found a place in the Indian hockey team in 1970, Ganesh played for India at the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich, finishing third. He was one of the coaches of the Indian team that won a gold medal at the 1980 Olympic Games in Moscow.

Ganesh, a right winger, twice represented the country in the Asian Games, first in 1970 in Bangkok and then in 1974 in Tehran. He was in the Indian team that won Bronze at the first World Cup in Barcelona in 1971 and captained the team that won Silver at the next World Cup in Amsterdam in 1973. He also played for World XI in 1972.

Ganesh last played for India in 1974, as his career was cut short following a knee injury.

His most disappointing moment probably was during the finals of the World Cup in Amsterdam when India lost to Netherlands in the finals, after missing a penalty stroke.

Ganesh had a long reign as a sports administrator. He served as Director of Sports Authority of India (South) and in 2017 took charge as the High Performance Director and CEO of the National Hockey Academy in Delhi.

He is married to Keethiyanda Prema and their only son Ayyappa passed away when he was 20 years old due to a rare medical condition.

P. Shrividya Somanna, who helped Ganesh to put together his autobiography *'Living The Dream: My Autobiography'* told this reporter that Ganesh's wife Prema was instrumental in motivating him to pursue his higher education.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Astute

Pronunciation: uh-STOOT.
Meaning: Having or showing an ability to notice and understand things clearly — in other words, being mentally sharp or clever.
Origin: Astute comes from the Latin noun astus, meaning "craft." The word implies being keenly observant and forming sound judgments based on knowledge and experience.
Example: "In her new memoir, 'Both/And,' ... [Huma Abedin] may be one of the most politically astute and well-traveled women in the world, but she portrays herself as far from worldly, at least in affairs of the heart." — Susan Dominus

THE ODD WORD

Abeng

Jamaican bugle made from cow horn.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Blaze a trail

Meaning: To talk about leading the way or clearing a path toward progress.
Origin: The term "Blaze a trail" is believed to come from the mid-1770s, although it is entirely possible that the phrase was used before then. "Blazes" were notches or marks that were left on trees, indicating which way travellers should go to stick to a trail in the forest. Blazes are still used today to mark trails, with different markings that indicate different things. An early example can be seen in Dr. Thomas Walker's 1750 Journal of Exploration: "I blazed a way from our house to the River and I blazed several trees in the fork and marked T.W. on a sycamore tree." A later article from a November 1883 edition of Montana newspaper The Helena Independent uses the phrase precisely: "The merchants thereupon, desirous of securing the trade of the new mines, offered the stranger $100 if he would blaze a trail through, and afterwards it could be cleared sufficiently for pack animals to pass along."
Example: ''The suffragists blazed a trail, eventually convincing lawmakers to give American women the right to vote.''

QUOTE BOX

When eyes have died in its gaze, know the heart had died in its blaze.

— Anthony Liccione

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

COVER COVER COVER HEAD COVER

Answer: Head for cover.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Legal thing
4 Honey insect
7 Mil. award
10 Ex-England paceman Truman
12 Affirmative
13 Enough in old English?
15 Episode
17 "Noel" anagram for a style of weaving?
18 ___ a ___ : in connection with (same word) ?
19 Utter words
20 Binding
23 Egyptian deity
25 Asian noble's title
26 ____ with : being in favour of
29 Delicious
30 Homo sapiens
31 Bond creator Fleming
33 Funereal
36 Musical work
37 Stiffly formal
38 Passageway
39 Addicts
42 Erie mule of song
43 Mr. Patekar of Bollywood
44 Brave and fearless
49 Declare
50 Arabian is the closest one to us
51 Plunge
52 Old measurement of length
53 Time To Go
54 High army rank, in short

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

	E	F	T		L	Y	E		A	C	E	
A	B	L	E		A	E	R		N	O	A	H
P	R	O	T	E	C	T	S		T	A	S	S
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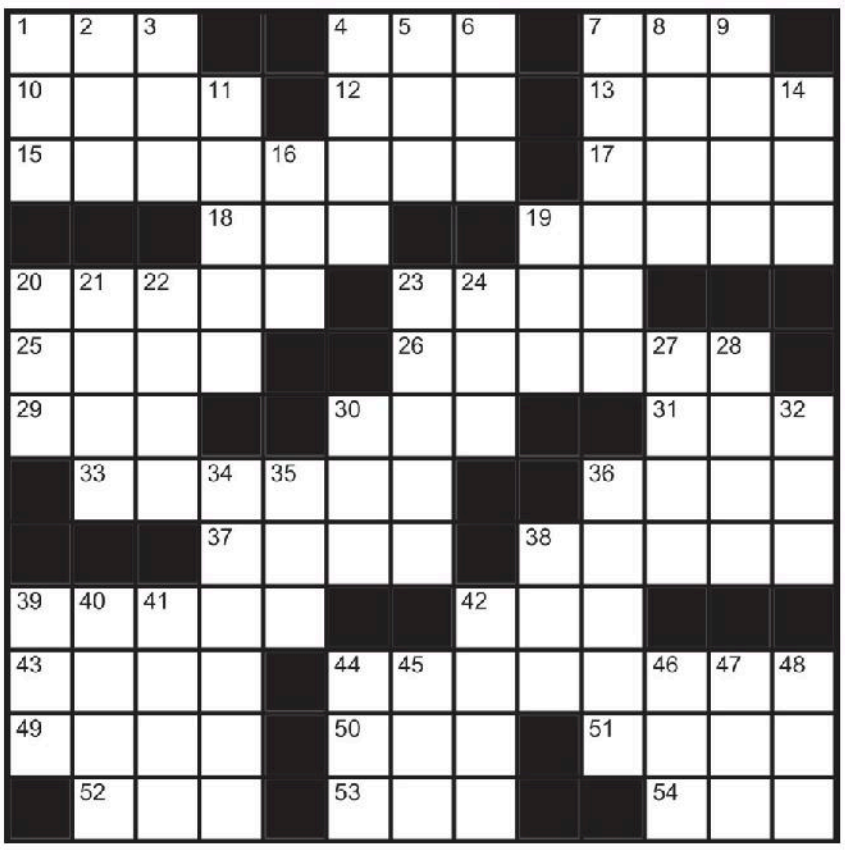
DOWN

1 Request For Inf.
2 Sea-eagle variant
3 Dry especially for wines
4 Tournament sit-outs
5 Even, contracted by a poet ?
6 Superlative suffix
7 Ancient city of the oracle
8 Cut, snicker - "seen" anagram?
9 Leonardo da Vinci's ___ Lisa
11 A day bed
14 Hunan pan
16 A quick swim
19 Sorrowful
20 Firmament overhead?
21 Dull sound
22 Small branches
23 Biblical hymn
24 A metal
27 Pinches or bites
28 Ancient France
30 May in France
32 Natl. Stock Exchg.
34 Spread stragglingly
35 Married woman sometimes
36 Lubricated
38 ___ Paar: 1954 Guru Dutt movie
39 Actress Merkel
40 Goalkeeping feat
41 Organic compound
42 Male of deer
44 First in short
45 Meshed fabric
46 Domestic hog
47 I have, contracted
48 Private sanctum



SUDOKU

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						9	5	
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	8			6	4			

Answer to previous puzzle

3	7	4	6	9	2	1	8	5
1	8	5	3	7	4	6	2	9
9	2	6	5	1	8	4	3	7
4	9	7	8	2	5	3	6	1
5	3	2	7	6	1	9	4	8
8	6	1	9	4	3	5	7	2
7	5	9	2	3	6	8	1	4
2	4	3	1	8	9	7	5	6
6	1	8	4	5	7	2	9	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

N ULJLBP YWWO YXL LILJCP NY YKOLZ YW VWRY

KIF QJWYL ZWUL SBRLZ - FROL LBBNICYWI

TODAY'S CLUE: Y EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The free expression of the hopes and aspirations of a people is the greatest and only safety in a sane society.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

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Sterling Theatre Ph: 2481170
Huttu Habbada Shubhashayagalu (K)- 4 Shows

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Ellinda Harambhavagide (K) 1 Shows; Mallige (K) - 3 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Badava Rascal (K)	(S-1)	10.20 am
	(S-2)	4.10 pm
	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Spiderman: No Way Home (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.05 pm, 4.05 pm
Sing-2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	7 pm
Arjun Gowda (K)	(S-2)	10.40 am, 1.20 pm
Ajagajantharam (Ma)	(S-2)	7 pm
Huttu Habbada Shubhashayagalu (K)	(S-3)	10.40 am, 1.20 pm
Rider (K)	(S-3)	4 pm
Love You Rachchu (K)	(S-3)	6.55 pm
83 (H)	(S-4)	10.15 am, 4 pm, 7 pm

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83 (H)	(S-2)	8.25 am, 6 pm
	(S-3)	2.50 pm
	(S-4)	12.10 pm
Spiderman No Way Home (3D-E)	(S-1)	8.35 am, 3.05 pm, 6.20 pm
Ajagajantharam (Ma)	(S-4)	6.40 pm
Badava Rascal (K)	(S-2)	3 pm (S-3) 8.40 am
Raider (K)	(S-1)	11.50 am
Arjun Gowda (K)	(S-4)	9.10 am, 3.40 pm
Love You Rachchu (K)	(S-3)	11.40 am, 6.25 pm
Huttu Habbada Shubhashayagalu (K)	(S-2)	11.55 am

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Spider-Man: No Way Home (E-3D)	9.05 am, 12.15 pm, 3.25 pm, 6.35 pm
Badava Rascal (K)	9.45 am, 12.35 pm, 6.55 pm
Arjun Gowda (K)	9.55 am, 3.50 pm, 6.50 pm
Huttu Habbada Shubhashayagalu (K)	11.00 am
Love You Rachchu (K)	12.50 pm, 6.45 pm
Sing 2 (E)	1.55 pm, 7.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rise - Part 01 (Te)	3.25 pm
Djibouti (Ma)	3.50 pm
Rider (K)	4.25 pm

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83 (H)	9.05 am, 12.05 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.25 pm
Arjun Gowda (K)	9.10 am, 3.30 pm, 7.05 pm
Badava Rascal (K)	9.35 am, 4.10 pm, 7.05 pm
Love You Rachchu (K)	10.00 am, 4.05 pm
Pushpa: The Rise - Part 01 (Te)	12.30 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (E)	12.30 pm, 7.05 pm
Rider (K)	1.00 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Love You Rachchu (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 1.15 pm
83 (H)	(S-1)	4 pm
Ajagajantharam (Ma)	(S-1)	7.15 pm
Arjun Gowda (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 1.30 pm, 4.30 pm
Badava Rascal (K)	(S-3)	10.40 am, 1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.05 pm
Rider (K)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 7 pm
Huttu Habbada Shubhashayagalu (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (JAN. 1)

JSS Mysore Urban Haat, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Office of the Development Commissioner (Handlooms and Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, Cauvery Handlooms, Bengaluru and Department of Handloom & Textile & Commerce, Government of Karnataka: Special Handloom and 124th Handicrafts Exhibition, JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, Mysuru, **up to 9 pm.** [City Bus from KSRTC Bus Stand - No: 117]

Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) and Tourism Department: Exhibition-2021, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **3.30 pm to 9 pm.**

Saptagiri Melodies, Chamundipuram: Geetaradhane - Apoorva Sangama - Rendering of Kannada, Hindi and Telugu Songs by Govindaraj, Dr. Manjunath, Devachandra, Lawyer Chandrashekar, Jayalakshi Naidu and Rani, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5 pm.**

Bharati Prakashana, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru: Book release — Huragalavadi Lakshminarasimha Shastry's 'Sringeri Ratnasamputa' — by Dr. A.V. Narasimha Murthy, former Head, Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, H. Ramachandra, Chartered Accountant, Dharmadhikari, Shankar Mutt, Mysuru Branch, presides, Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao, retd. Senior Researcher, Oriental Research Institute (ORI), chief guest, Gowri Prahlad, retd. Akashvani Officer, Sri Sringeri Shankar Mutt Pravachana Mandira, **5 pm.**

Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC): Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Calendar release, Shivayogi Urilingapeddi Mutt's Sri Jnanaprakasha Swamiji graces the occasion, former Mayor Purushotham presides, KSRTC Mysuru Division Controller S.P. Nagaraju and Mysuru Rural Division Controller K.H. Srinivas chief guests, Vishwamaithri Buddha Vihara, Ashoka Circle, Krishnamurthypuram, **5 pm.**

Karnataka State Government SC/ ST Employees Association, District Branch, Mysuru: 2022 Calendar release, Urilingapeddi Mutt's Sri Jnanaprakasha Swamiji and Bodhidatta Banteji of Nalanda University-Chamarajanagar will grace the occasion, Karnataka State Government SC/ ST Employees Association State President D. Chandrashekaraiah presides, journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, Collegiate Education Department Joint Director Veerabhadraiah, Minor Irrigation Department Chief Engineer Rajashekar Naduvali, Public Works Department Superintending Engineer R. Ganesh, former Mayor Purushotham and AHINDA leader Chikkajavarappa special invitees, PWD Guest House, Nazarbad, **5 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple: Puja, Shattumurai and Mahamangalarati, **5 pm to 6.30 pm;** Thiruppavai discourse by Vidu. Dr. K.L. Prasannakshi, retd. Sanskrit Professor, Maharani's Arts College, Mysuru, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, **6.30 pm.** [Mob: 99451-01480]

Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru: 2nd edition of 'Yuva Sangeeta Sambhrama-2022,' online vocal concert by Vidu. Pavani Prabhakar from Sringeri, accompanied by Vid. Krithik Koushik - violin and Vid. Dr. S. Nagasimha - mridanga, YouTube channel [Sri ThyagarajaSangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust], **5 pm.**

Madhuragana Kalavrunda and Sanje Samaya: Musical Evening - Singing of film song with the theme 'Nagu,' releasing of New Year Calendar of 'Sanje Samaya,' Natana Rangashale Founder Mandya Ramesh presides, Natana Rangashale (Natana School of Theatre Arts), Ramakrishnanagar, **5 pm.** [For tickets, contact Mob: 99003-71796 or 98455-95505]

Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Mysuru and Hebbar Sreevaishnava Rural District Upa Sabha: Dhanurmasa Puja, discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vidu. Rama Srinivasan, Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam and Sri Rama Mandira: 'Thiruppavai Kalakshepa' (Thiruppavai discourse) by Dr. N.K. Ramasheshan, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Karnatak Classical Vocal Concert by Vidu. Harini, accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin and Vid. Malola Simha on mridanga and Vid. Ajay on ghata, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 2)

JSS Mysore Urban Haat: Special Handloom and 124th Handicrafts Exhibition, JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, Mysuru, **10 am to 9 pm.** [City Bus from KSRTC Bus Stand - No: 117]

Basava Samiti (Hebbal-Vijayanagar, Mysuru): Sharana Sangama-265, Vachana and various songs recital programme by Basava Samiti members, felicitation to Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat President, senior scholar and writer Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy, Basava Samiti (Hebbal-Vijayanagar, Mysuru) President H.V. Basavaraju presides, Basava Bhavan, CA-5, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 am.**

Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) and Tourism Department: Exhibition-2021, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **3.30 pm to 9 pm.**

Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha: Kuvempu birth anniversary, calendar release, Pratibha Puraskar and felicitation to achievers, University of Mysore former Vice-Chancellor Prof. K.S. Rangappa inaugurates, littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK) presides, former District Governor Ln. K. Devegowda releases calendar, Congress youth leader K. Harish Gowda chief guest, MMC Psychology Department Head and Mahasabha Hon. Advisor Dr. B.N. Raveesh, Mahasabha State President N. Bettegowda and State Gen. Secretary Dr. E.C. Ningaraj Gowda will be present, felicitation to history expert from Bengaluru Dr. Talakadu Chikkarangegowda, Ankegowda of 'Pusthakada Mane' and V.V. Puram College Principal Dr. Budanur Puttaswamy, Rani Bahadur auditorium, Hunsur Main Road, Manasagangothri, **4.30 pm.**

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Sri Sarveshwara Nruthyakalamandira - Pankaja Performing Art Centre, Mysuru: Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Dr. K.M. Sathvi, disciple of Natya Vidushi M. Pankaja Ramakrishnaiah, Director and Founder-Secretary, Sri Sarveshwara Nruthya Kalamandira and daughter of Manjula and Madegowda, accompanied by Guru Vidu. M. Pankaja Ramakrishnaiah - natuvanga, Vid. C. Sagar Chakravarthy - vocal, Vid. M.J. Kiran Kumar - mridanga, Vd. Dr. C.R. Ragavendra Prasad - rhythm pad and Vid. Shanmuka Sajja - keyboard, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **5.30 pm.**

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Natana Rangashale (Natana School of Theatre Arts): Staging of play 'Aatadolagaata' by Kadamba Rangavedike, Mysuru (Writer: Kavya Kadame Nagarakatte; Director: Yathish N. Kollegal; Production: Rajashekar Kadamba), School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Founder-President of Textile Merchants Assn. no more

Mysuru, Jan. 1- P. Chainraj (80), Founder of *Sindoor Silks* in Mysuru and a resident of Ittigegud, passed away here on Thursday. He leaves behind his wife, two sons, two daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law and a host of relatives and friends.

P. Chainraj

He was the Founder-President of Mysore Textile Merchants Association and Founder-Member of Asha Kirana Hospital. A philanthropist, Chainraj was the Trustee and former Vice-President of Mahaveer Jain Vidyalaya in city. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

PRO KABADDI

Today's Matches (JAN. 1)

U Mumba Vs **UP Yoddha** 7.30 pm

Bengaluru Bulls Vs **Telugu Titans** 8.30 pm

Dabang Delhi Vs **Tamil Thalaivas** 9.30 pm

Tomorrow's Matches (JAN. 2)

Gujarat Giants Vs **Haryana Steelers** 7.30 pm

Puneri Paltan Vs **Bengaluru Bulls** 8.30 pm

Yesterday's Results

Tamil Thalaivas 36
Beat
Puneri Paltan 26

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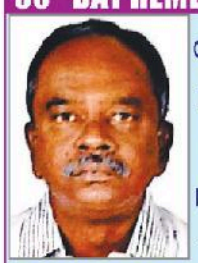

Prayer at the Cemetery at 10.00am and Holy Mass will be held on 2.1.2022 at Our Lady of the Poor Church, Bannimantap, Mysuru, at 11.30 am. Lunch : 1pm.

JOSEPH GEORGE
Born: 20.10.1957
Died: 03.12.2021

Wife: Jamcey, Sons: Sebastian & Rudolf, Family Members.
Mob: 8296781818

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